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1. SUMMARY: JAPAN'S INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENTS
CONTINUED TO RISE SHARPLY IN JAN, RECORDING THIRD STRAIGHT
MONTH OF ADVANCE, WHILE INVENTORIES REMAINED UNCHANGED FROM
PRIOR MONTH. RATIO OF INVENTORY TO SHIPMENTS DECLINED FOR
THIRD STRAIGHT MONTH IN JAN. END SUMMARY.

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2. ACCORDING TO PRELIMINARY DATA RELEASED FEB 28 BY
MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI), JAPAN'S
INDEX OF MINING AND MANUFACTURING PRODUCTION, S.A., INCREASED
1.1 PERCENT OVER PRIOR MONTH'S LEVEL. THIS FOLLOWED
GAINS OF 0.9 PERCENT IN DEC AND 2.1 PERCENT IN NOV.
EXCLUDING SHIPS, JAN PRODUCTION INCREASE WAS MUCH
LARGER AT 1.6 PERCENT. PRODUCTION OF ALL MAJOR CATEGORIES

OF GOODS EXCEPT FOR FABRICATED METALS, TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT, AND CHEMICALS RECORDED INCREASES IN JAN; IN PARTICULAR, PRODUCTION OUTPUT OF ELECTRIC MACHINERY, CERAMICS, STONE AND CLAY ROSE SHARPLY.

3. PRODUCERS' SHIPMENTS OF FINISHED GOODS IN MINING AND MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, S.A., ROSE 0.6 PERCENT IN JAN. THIS FOLLOWED SHARP INCREASES IN PRECEDING TWO MONTHS, UP 3.5 PERCENT IN NOV AND UP 1.3 PERCENT IN DEC. EXCLUDING SHIP DELIVERIES, PRODUCERS' SHIPMENTS RECORDED SAME 0.6 PERCENT INCREASE FOR JAN.

4. INDEX OF PRODUCERS' INVENTORIES OF FINISHED GOODS IN MINING AND MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, S.A., REMAINED UNCHANGED FROM PRIOR MONTH AFTER INCREASES IN PRECEDING TWO MONTHS (UP 0.7 PERCENT EACH). RATIO OF PRODUCERS' INVENTORIES OF FINISHED GOODS TO SHIPMENTS DECLINED FOR THIRD STRAIGHT MONTH IN JAN WITH RATE OF DECLINE ACCELERATING SLIGHTLY.

5. FOLLOWING ARE PRELIMINARY MITI DATA ON JAN INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDICES, S.A, 1975 EQUALS 100:

	DEC 77	JAN 78	PERCENT	
	(REVISED) (PRELIM.) CHANGE			
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION:				
ALL INDUSTRIES	117.9	119.1	1.0	
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PUBLIC UTILITIES	113.4	114.9	1.3	
MINING AND MANUFACTURING	118.0	119.3	1.1	
MINING	107.3	107.5	0.2	
MANUFACTURING	118.1	119.3	1.0	
MINING AND MANUFACTURING				
EXCLUDING SHIPS	120.1	122.0	1.6	

PRODUCERS' SHIPMENTS:

ALL INDUSTRIES	117.6	118.2	0.5	
MINING AND MANUFACTURING	117.8	118.4	0.6	
MANUFACTURING	117.8	118.4	0.5	

MINING AND MANUFACTURING

EXCLUDING SHIPS	119.1	119.8	0.6	
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PRODUCERS' INVENTORIES OF
FINISHED GOODS:

MINING AND MANUFACTURING	105.9	105.9	0	
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MINING	83.7	84.7	1.2
MANUFACTURING	106.0	106.0	0
RATIO OF INVENTORY TO SHIPMENTS	89.1	87.9	MIN 1.3
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